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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6165

INFO AMEMBASSY PANAMA IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: PANAMA QUESTION - UPU - ITU

REF: A. GENEVA 3382 B. STATE 110018 C. STATE 111664

1. ALL INDICATIONS AT UPU AND WMARC MEETINGS ARE THAT PANAMA WILL PRESS BOTH BODIES TO APPROVE DECLARATION/ RESOLUTION ALONG LINES REF A. PANAMANIAN'S APPARENTLY HAVE STRICT INSTRUCTIONS TO DO SO AND IN ANY CASE HAVE NOT BEEN RECEPTIVE TO DIRECT APPROACHES BY US DELS AT EITHER GENEVA OR LAUSANNE.

2. ESTIMATE EC COUNTRIES WILL AT BEST ABSTAIN. FRENCH DEL LAUSANNE TELLS US THEY INSTRUCTED VOTE WITH PANAMA PROVIDING RESOLUTION LIMITED TO POSTAL MATTERS AND DOES NOT MENTION GENERAL ISSUE OF SOVEREIGNTY.

3. PANAMANIAN'S AT UPU AND ITU HAVE BEEN ACTIVELY

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COURTING LDC'S WHICH LEADS US BELIEVE EFFORT WILL BE

MADE INDUCE THEM TO SPEAK OUT IN SUPPORT RESOLUTION/  
DECLARATION ONCE IT INTRODUCED IN PLENARY. US DELS OF  
COURSE WILL OPPOSE BUT IT UNLIKELY THAT OTHERS (E.G.  
WEO'S), WHATEVER THEIR MISGIVINGS WILL FOLLOW SUIT.

4. PATTERN AT UPU HAS BEEN FOR LDC AFTER 15 OR 20  
INTERVENTIONS TO CALL FOR CLOTURE DEBATE, NOTING THAT  
OVERWHELMING MAJORITY SEEMS FAVOR RES AND SUGGESTING  
CONSENSUS.

5. UNDER SUCH CONDITIONS, IF US WISHES VOTE IT WOULD  
BE UP TO US DEL TO CALL FOR IT, WITH PROBABLE RESULT THAT  
MAJORITY WOULD GO WITH PANAMA. ESTIMATE THERE WOULD BE  
NUMEROUS ABSTENTIONS AND US VOTING AGAINST WOULD BE  
ISOLATED OR IN SMALL MAJORITY.

6. ALTERNATIVELY, IF WE ALLOW CONSENSUS GO THROUGH,  
US DEL COULD MAKE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT FOR RECORD THAT  
WE DID NOT PARTICPATE AND FURTHERMORE HAD SERIOUS  
JURIDICAL RESERVATIONS ABOUT CONSTITUTIONALITY OF  
PROCEDURE.

7. MATTER EXPECTED ARISE ITU MORNING JUNE 3. ADVISE.DALE

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